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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION IN J & K
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the J&K State is self reliant in terms of agricultural production;

(b) whether the Union Government have provided the required facilities to the farmers of the State;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the extent to which the farmers of this State would be benefited under the new agricultural policy; and

(e) the present trend of agricultural production in Jammu and Kashmir?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) to (c) Production of foodgrains is inadequate to meet the consumption requirement in Jammu and Kashmir. For improving production and productivity of crops various Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes are being implemented in the State, such as Macro Management for augmenting production of cereals and horticulture products, and Technology Mission programmes covering oilseeds and pulses.

For implementation of these Schemes, the amount as indicated below have been released to Jammu and Kashmir in recent years:

Year	Amount Released (Rs. lakhs)
1997-98	1528.00
1998-99	1064.74
1999-2000	1088.36
2000-2001 (upto 31.12.2000)	383.88

(d) No quantification has been attempted as yet on the likely benefits that will flow to Jammu Kashmir as a result of implementing the new Agricultural Policy.

(e) Details of trends in production of foodgrains in Jammu and Kashmir during recent years is given below:-

Year	Production (000`tonnes)
1996-97	1331.3
1997-98	1420.0
1998-99	1519.6
1999-2000	1271.1